EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA REQUEST FOR QUOTATION PR10373085 MAINTENANCE OF GUANACASTE TREE

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

 Provide Tree measurements: Diameter at Breast Height (DBH), Total height, Stem height, Crown area. Note that these measurements are approximate and for reference only.

Answer: DBH: 6.88 m Height: 20.33 m Crown area: 1800m2

- 2. What is the number of trees that will be stored and taken care of in the nursery? Answer: It depends on the seeds dropped by the Guanacaste tree. The idea is to save as many trees as possible. Last year we saved about 1000 trees, but please disregard last year's trees currently stored at the nursery since they will be taken care of by the previous contractor.
- 3. Can the nursery be located outside of Tegucigalpa, that is, in another part of the country?

Answer: Yes, the nursery can be located outside of Tegucigalpa.

- **4.** Please provide information on the cost per hour to be paid to the ENEE/EEH for carrying out an "electrical clearance/electricity supply cutoff" in the area, to carry out pruning near the power lines.
 - Answer: We recommend having this information handy; however, only include equipment and labor costs in the offer and omit ENEE/EEH costs.
- 5. Will bucket crane operators require DBA insurance? Considering that you will operate the machine from the road, that is; outside the project boundary and that it will be a subcontracted company.

Answer: If the worker does not enter USG Property, then no DBA is needed.

- 6. If a bucket crane enters the project, will your operator require DBA insurance? (Considering that the service will be subcontracted) Answer: If the worker enters USG Property, then a DBA is needed.
- 7. Is it possible to drill the tree to find out the internal conditions of the stem/trunk?

 Answer: As valuable as this information might be, it is not to be included in the current contract due to the amount of stress the tree has been under after excavating the roots to remove debris

8. What physiological characteristics of the tree will be taken into account to define that the contractor is doing his job correctly? Or will only the execution of the requested activities be evaluated?

Answer: The contractor's activities are constantly being monitored by OBO and additional feedback provided to OBO from the project/landscape designers; therefore, the proper execution considering physiological characteristics and security requirements are taken into consideration.